

**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE
GROUP 1712
PATENT APPLICATION**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of Docket No: Q95153
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For: METAL PATTERN FORMING METHOD, METAL PATTERN OBTAINED BY THE SAME, PRINTED WIRING BOARD, CONDUCTIVE FILM FORMING METHOD, AND CONDUCTIVE FILM OBTAINED BY THE SAME

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated August 5, 2011, please consider the remarks in the above-identified application as follows on the accompanying pages.

REMARKS

I. Status of Application

Claims 1-12, 20-23, and 26-31 are all the claims in the application.

Claims 1-6, 10, 20-22, 26-28, and 30 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Touto (Japanese Patent Publication No. 2001-192844).

Claims 7 and 8 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Touto in view of Barclay (U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2003/0235785).

Claims 1, 9, 11, 12, 20, 23, 29, and 31 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Wakizawa (Japanese Patent Publication No. 2003-332738 / U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2005/0175824) in view of Touto.